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TO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BTIO, BTRA

SUBJECT: ALMET, INC. PURCHASE OF COBALT

1. MR. DAN D. WILLIAMS, VICE-PRESIDENT OF ALMET, INC.  
(THE PURCHASING SUBSIDIARY OF ALLEGHENY LUDLUM  
INDUSTRIES) IS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING COBALT DIRECTLY  
FROM SOZACOM. ALMET HAS BEEN PURCHASING ITS COBALT FROM  
GSA STOCKPILES AND AFRICAN TRADING COMPANY (BELGIAN  
MARKETING FIRM.) WILLIAMS STATED THAT THE INITIAL  
PURCHASE WOULD BE 3 MILLION DOLLARS AND THAT IN THE LONG  
RUN ALMET WOULD PREFER DOING BUSINESS DIRECTLY WITH THE  
ZAIROIS RATHER THAN WITH AFRICAN TRADING COMPANY.  
WILLIAMS IS PLANNING TO TRAVEL TO KINSHASA AND LUBUMBASHI  
IN DECEMBER OR JANUARY AND IS CURRENTLY APPLYING FOR HIS  
VISA. BEFORE TRAVELLING TO ZAIRE, WILLIAMS WISHES CONFIRM  
THAT SOZACOM IS PREPARED TO DEAL DIRECTLY ON COBALT SALES.  
WILLIAMS WOULD PREFER THE EMBASSY NOT DISCUSSING HIS  
INTEREST WITH THE BELGIANS.

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2. REQUEST EMBASSY PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT THE INFORMATION

REQUESTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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